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80. (amended) A computer program product for defining an object as in claim 75, wherein the [step]instruction of defining the at least one control point further compris[ing]es:

instructions for defining a rule selection algorithm associated with the at least one control point.

81. (amended) A computer program product for defining an object as in claim 75, wherein the [step]instruction of defining the at least one control point further compris[ing]es:

instructions for defining a rule result combination algorithm associated with the at least one control point.

REMARKS

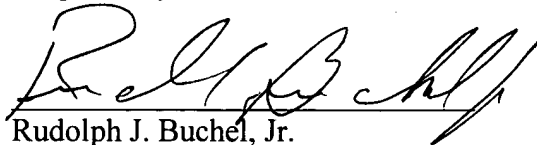
No amendments were made to the specification.

Claims 12, 18, 19, 20, 21, 30, 54, 70, 71, 72, 76, 77, 78, 80 and 81 were amended. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The claims are now to be in condition for allowance.

The examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if in the opinion of the examiner such a telephone conference would expedite or aid the prosecution and examination of this application.

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Respectfully submitted,



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